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13	SAN JOSE DIVISION				
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15 16	FINISAR CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation,	Case No. 5:07-CV-0	04052-JF-PVT		
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1920212223	U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association, not in its individual capacity, but solely in its capacity as Indenture Trustee in behalf of all Holders of Finisar Corporation's 51/4% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2008, 21/2% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes d	Conference: Frid: Time: 10:36 Courtroom: 3 District Judge:	Time: 10:30 a.m. Courtroom: 3 District Judge: Hon. Jeremy Fogel		
24	2010, and 2½% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2010; and DOES 1 through 10.	l Wagistrate Judge.	Hon. Patricia V. Trumbull		
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	JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT AND [PROPOSED] ORDER THEREON		CASE NO.: 5:07-CV-04052-JF-PVT		

Having met and conferred as required by Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on Tuesday, November 6, 2007, plaintiff Finisar Corporation ("Finisar") and defendant U.S. Bank Trust National Association, in its capacity as indenture trustee ("U.S. Bank"), jointly make the following report, pursuant to Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Civil Local Rule 16-9.

I. JURISDICTION AND SERVICE

Finisar commenced the above-captioned action (the "Action") in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa Clara (the "State Court"), from which it was removed by U.S. Bank. In the Action, Finisar seeks a declaration that it is not in default under a series of three indentures between Finisar and U.S. Bank (the "Parties") as a result of its not yet having filed certain financial reports with the Securities Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and U.S. Bank. Although U.S. Bank has answered, it has not counterclaimed.

U.S. Bank contends that Finisar's cause of action arises under federal law (thus bringing the Action within the federal question jurisdiction of this Court) because determining whether Finisar is entitled to relief requires the Court to interpret, apply or otherwise determine the effect of two federal statutes, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, under the indentures. Finisar disputes U.S. Bank's allegation that the Action falls within the subject matter jurisdiction of this Court, and has moved for remand. "Plaintiff Finisar Corporation's Amended . . . Motion to Remand Action to Santa Clara County Superior Court" (the "Remand Motion") was heard by the Court on Friday, November 2, 2007 and is currently under submission. In Finisar's view, the Court should defer entry of any case management order, including any order on this statement, until after the jurisdictional issues presented by the Remand Motion are adjudicated; and the Court should enter no such order if the Remand Motion is granted.

There are no unserved named parties. Neither personal jurisdiction nor venue is disputed.

II. FACTS

In November 2006, the Audit Committee of Finisar's Board of Directors voluntarily commenced an internal investigation into historical stock option grants and practices within the

company. Finisar has informed U.S. Bank that the investigation is now largely complete and that the task of preparing any necessary restatements of financials is well underway. Because the investigation and restatements may affect disclosures required to be made in various SEC filings, Finisar has delayed those filings pending completion thereof.

U.S. Bank serves as the indenture trustee pursuant to a series of three trust indentures (the "Indentures") under which Finisar issued three series of convertible notes (the "Notes"). By three nearly identical letters dated April 23, 2007 (the "Letters"), one for each Indenture, U.S. Bank asserted that Finisar's delay in filing a Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007 with the SEC and with U.S. Bank constituted a default under the Indentures, which, if not remedied within sixty days of the letters, would ripen into an "Event of Default" under the Indentures (thereby entitling U.S. Bank, as indenture trustee, to accelerate Finisar's repayment obligations under the Notes). Finisar commenced this Action on June 21, 2007, seeking a judicial declaration that it is not in default under the Indentures as alleged by U.S. Bank or, alternatively, that enforcing acceleration of the Notes for such a technical default would be inequitable. U.S. Bank has asserted additional defaults after the commencement of this Action relating to Finisar's delay in filing subsequent financial statements.

The existence and terms of the Indentures are not in dispute, nor are the facts alleged by U.S. Bank to constitute a default. Instead, the Parties dispute whether the conduct constitutes a default under Section 4.02 of the Indentures, which provides:

The Company shall file with the Trustee, within 15 days after it files such annual and quarterly reports, information, documents and other reports with the [Securities and Exchange] Commission, copies of its annual report and of the information, documents and other reports (or copies of such portions of any of the foregoing as the Commission may by rules and regulations prescribe) which the Company is required to file with the Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the [Securities] Exchange Act [of 1934]. If at any time the Company is not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, such reports shall be provided at the times the Company would have been required to provide reports had it continued to be subject to such reporting requirements. The Company shall also comply with the other provisions of TIA Section 314(a).

According to Finisar, this provision does not require it to provide copies of reports to U.S. Bank until fifteen days after those reports are actually filed with the SEC; according to U.S. Bank, this

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provision, which must be interpreted with reference to federal law incorporated therein, requires Finisar to make timely filings with the SEC and to provide copies of those filings to U.S. Bank within fifteen days of when they are due to be filed (rather than when they are actually filed).

Ш. LEGAL ISSUES

As noted above, the Parties dispute whether the delay by Finisar in filing certain reports with the SEC and with U.S. Bank constitutes a default under Section 4.02 of the Indentures. Thus far, two courts outside of this Court's jurisdiction are known to have addressed the issue. First, the Supreme Court of New York, New York County, in Bank of New York v. BearingPoint, Inc., 824 N.Y.S.2d 752 (N.Y. Sup. Ct. 2006), found default under similar circumstances. Second, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, in Cyberonics, Inc. v. Wells Fargo Bank National Association, 2007 WL 1729977 (S.D. Tex. June 13, 2007), found no default under similar circumstances.

U.S. Bank contends that the interpretation of Section 4.02 requires the Court to interpret and apply the provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 under the Indentures, and that this Action thus arises under the laws of the United States and falls within the federal question subject matter jurisdiction created by 28 U.S.C. § 1331. Finisar contends that the interpretation of the relevant provisions of the Indentures does not require the interpretation or application of any federal statute, and that this Action does not arise under the laws of the United States or otherwise fall within the federal question subject matter jurisdiction created by 28 U.S.C. § 1331.

U.S. Bank also contends that the interpretation of Section 4.02 presents an issue of law for the Court, which is suitable for summary judgment. Subject to discovery, Finisar presently contends that there may be parol evidence bearing on the proper interpretation of Section 4.02, rendering the interpretation of that provision an issue of fact rather than of law.

IV. **MOTIONS**

As noted above, the Remand Motion has already been heard and is currently under submission.

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U.S. Bank contemplates moving for summary judgment. If U.S. Bank moves for summary judgment, then Finisar may bring a cross-motion for summary judgment.

Although the Parties contemplate additional motions should the Action be remanded to the State Court, no other motions are presently contemplated by either Party if the Action is not remanded.

V. AMENDMENT OF PLEADINGS

Neither Party presently contemplates any amendment of any pleading or any joinder of any additional parties. The Parties have agreed that any motion seeking either amendment or joinder should be filed not later than December 7, 2007.

VI. EVIDENCE PRESERVATION

The Parties have agreed that discovery may encompass (a) the negotiation, preparation, and execution of the Indentures and certain documents collateral thereto; and U.S. Bank further contends, although Finisar disputes, that discovery may also encompass (b) the investigation and preparation of Finisar's restated financial statements. The Parties have further agreed that their respective preservation obligations would not extend beyond materials, exclusive of metadata, generated in connection with the negotiation, preparation, investigation and/or execution thereof. Finisar, based upon what it understands to have been an agreement reached by the Parties, disputes the existence of any obligation effective prior to August 29, 2007 to have preserved materials generated in connection with the investigation and preparation of Finisar's restated financial statements. U.S. Bank disagrees with Finisar's understanding of the agreement reached by the Parties.

Accordingly, Finisar has instructed employees known or believed to have participated in the preparation or execution of the Indentures or collateral materials to preserve documents generated in connection therewith. Finisar has also generally instructed employees known or believed to have participated in the investigation and preparation of its restated financial statements to preserve all documents relating to its historical stock option grants and practices, whether or not specifically related to the investigation and preparation of its restated financial

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27 28 statements. Finisar's electronically stored information is periodically backed-up on tapes maintained in a third-party archive.

U.S. Bank has also instructed employees known or believed to have participated in the preparation or execution of the Indentures or collateral materials to preserve documents, including electronic information, generated in connection therewith pursuant to U.S. Bank's policy regarding document retention in litigation matters.

VII. **DISCLOSURES**

The Parties have agreed to defer making initial disclosures, as required by Rule 26(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, until after the disposition of the Remand Motion. If the Action is not remanded, the Parties will make the disclosures mandated by Rule 26(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure within fourteen calendar days of entry of the Court's order denying the Remand Motion.

VIII. DISCOVERY

As noted above, the Parties agree that discovery may encompass (a) the negotiation, preparation, and execution of the Indentures and certain documents collateral thereto; and U.S. Bank further contends, although Finisar disputes, that discovery may also encompass (b) the investigation and preparation of Finisar's restated financial statements. No discovery on other topics is presently contemplated by either Party.

The Parties have further agreed that all document discovery may be satisfied by hardcopy documents or their electronic equivalent, and thus that metadata will not be sought and need not be provided.

No further limitation or modification of the discovery rules is contemplated, nor is any phasing of discovery.

To date, no discovery has been taken. The Parties have agreed to complete all discovery by May 30, 2008.

IX. RELATED CASE

This is the second action between Finisar and U.S. Bank presenting essentially the same legal issues for adjudication. The first declaratory judgment action, like the instant Action, was

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also commenced by Finisar in the State Court and removed by U.S. Bank to this Court, where it was assigned Case No. 5:07-CV-02101-JF-PVT. Finisar commenced the first declaratory judgment action after receiving what U.S. Bank titled notices of default alleging that Finisar had defaulted by not timely filing a Form 10-Q for the third fiscal quarter of its 2006 fiscal year. The first declaratory judgment action was remanded to the State Court on October 12, 2007, as a result of procedural issues not applicable in the present Action. The first declaratory judgment action is still pending and is being litigated in the State Court.

X. RELIEF

Finisar seeks alternative declarations. First, Finisar seeks a declaration that, by not yet providing to U.S. Bank copies of reports not yet filed with the SEC, it is not in default under the Indentures so as to authorize U.S. Bank to declare an acceleration (*i.e.*, to declare all principal and accrued interest immediately payable). Second, in the alternative, Finisar seeks a declaration that enforcing an acceleration under the circumstances presented would be inequitable. Finisar is not seeking damages or any other form of relief.

U.S. Bank is not seeking any relief.

XI. SETTLEMENT AND ADR

Prospects for settlement are uncertain.

Informal discussions relative to settlement are ongoing between counsel, focusing to date on the facilitation of informal information exchanges.

U.S. Bank understands, based on discussions with counsel, as memorialized in correspondence, that Finisar cannot give further consideration to whether, when, and under what conditions a meeting could be arranged between Finisar and U.S. Bank and the holders of the Notes until Finisar completes its investigation. Finisar disputes U.S. Bank's characterization of its statements regarding settlement.

To date, no formal alternative dispute resolution process has been employed. The Parties have agreed to submit their dispute to Early Neutral Evaluation, pursuant to ADR Local Rule 5.

The Parties are not presently aware of any non-dispositive motions that are likely to promote settlement.

MAGISTRATE JUDGE 1 XII. 2 The Parties have not at present consented to have a magistrate judge conduct all further 3 proceedings including trial and entry of judgment. 4 XIII. OTHER REFERENCES 5 The Parties do not consider the Action suitable for reference to binding arbitration, a 6 special master, or the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. 7 XIV. NARROWING OF ISSUES 8 The Parties contemplate filing a joint stipulation of undisputed facts by January 11, 2008. 9 **SCHEDULING** XV. 10 The Parties propose the following dates: 11 Designation of Experts: March 7, 2008 Discovery Cutoff: 12 May 30, 2008 13 Pretrial Conference: June 2008 14 Trial: June 2008 15 XVI. TRIAL 16 Should the Action proceed to trial, the Parties anticipate a trial not more than one trial 17 week in duration. Finisar has made a demand for jury trial in the Action. U.S. Bank has not yet 18 determined whether it will oppose the demand on the grounds that Finisar seeks only equitable 19 relief. 20 [Balance of page intentionally left blank.] 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

1 XVII. INTERESTED ENTITIES OR PERSONS 2 Both Parties have filed the "Certification of Interested Entities or Persons" required by 3 Civil Local Rule 3-16, collectively identifying the persons and entities listed in the attached 4 "Schedule of 'Interested' Parties" as having a financial or other interest in the subject matter that 5 could be substantially affected by the outcome of the Action. 6 DATED: November 21, 2007 Sterling A. Brennan L. Rex Sears 7 WORKMAN NYDEGGER A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 8 Caroline McIntyre BERGESON, LLP 9 10 By /s/ L. Rex Sears L. Rex Sears 11 Attorneys for Plaintiff FINISAR CORPORATION 12 DATED: November 21, 2007 Michael B. Fisco Abby E. Wilkinson 13 FAEGRE & BENSON LLP 14 By /s/ Abby E. Wilkinson 15 Abby E. Wilkinson Attorneys for Defendant 16 U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION 17 I attest that concurrence in the filing of the foregoing document has been obtained from 18 each of the identified signatories thereof. 19 DATED: November 21, 2007 Sterling A. Brennan L. Rex Sears 20 WORKMAN NYDEGGER A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 21 Caroline McIntyre BERGESON, LLP 22 23 By /s/ L. Rex Sears L. Rex Sears 24 Attorneys for Plaintiff FINISAR CORPORATION 25 **ORDER** PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED. 26 27 DATED: Hon. Jeremy Fogel 28 United States District Judge 9.

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12		Emerald Advisers, Inc.
13	II .	Hunter Hall Investment Management Ltd.
13	II .	Schroder Investment Management North America Inc.
14	II .	RiverSource Investments, LLC
	II .	College Retirement Equities Fund
15	II .	State Street Global Advisors (US)
16		Dimensional Fund Advisors, Inc.
10	II .	Pequot Capital Management, Inc.
17	II .	Peconic Partners, LLC
		Bear Stearns Asset Management, Inc.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 21, 2007, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following: D. Anthony Rodriguez, drodriguez@mofo.com; Abby E. Wilkinson, awilkinson@faegre.com; Eva Krisztina Schueller, eschueller@mofo.com; Michael B. Fisco, mfisco@faegre.com; Paul T. Friedman, pfriedman@mofo.com.

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